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Docket No. 193413US0PCT

IN RE APPLICATION OF Peter FICKENSTEIN, et al.

SERIAL NO. 09/582,216

FILED July 20, 2000

FOR FLOORING ADHESIVES

"RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING
GROUP 1714"ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Request for Reconsideration w/Marked-Up Copy in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.

Additional documents filed herewith: Request for Extension of Time (2-month); Declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 (2 pp., executed)

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL	27	MINUS	27	0	× \$18 =	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	1	MINUS	1	0	× \$84 =	\$0.00
		<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS			+ \$280 =	\$0.00
					TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS	\$0.00
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					TOTAL	\$0.00

A check in the amount of \$400.00 is attached.

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If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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FILED: July 20, 2000 : EXAMINER: C. SHOSHO
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2001, the period for response
having been extended to February 20, 2002, by a Request for Extension of Time filed
herewith, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendment, remarks and
the attached Rule 132 Declaration.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the Claims as follows:

9. (Amended) An aqueous composition, comprising:

A) 10 to 50% by weight of a polymer having a gel content of 5 to 40% by weight and
a number-average molecular weight, Mn, of a tetrahydrofuran-soluble fraction of less than
30,000; and

wherein said polymer comprises from 60 to 100% by weight of a C₁- to C₂₀-alkyl
(meth)acrylate or mixture of at least two C₁- to C₂₀-alkyl (meth)acrylates, based on a total
weight of said polymer; and

B) 50 to 90% by weight of a filler;

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